In the Indiana Supreme Court

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IN THE MATTER OF)	Supreme Court No. 63S00-0609-MS- 34
THE TEMPORARY TRANSFER)	-
OF A JUDGE TO THE	
PIKE CIRCUIT COURT)	•

ORDER OF TEMPORARY TRANSFER OF A JUDGE

This Court has been advised of the anticipated filing of criminal charges in the Pike Circuit Court in cases in which the presiding judge, the Hon. Jeffery L. Biesterveld, will have a conflict of interest due to his previous service as a Prosecuting Attorney. We find that, in the interests of the orderly administration of justice, the Hon. Walter H. Palmer, judge of the Gibson Circuit Court should be temporarily transferred to the Pike Circuit Court. Judge Palmer has advised this Court that he is willing to serve in such capacity on a temporary basis. Pursuant to IC 33-24-6-10, the Executive Director of the Division of State Court Administration recommends that Judge Palmer be temporarily assigned to the Pike Circuit Court to serve as judge of that court.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED that, pursuant to IC 33-24-6-10, the Hon. Walter H. Palmer, Gibson Circuit Court, is hereby transferred temporarily to sit as judge of the Pike Circuit Court, effective immediately and until further order of this Court. This Order shall be sufficient authority to discharge the duties of Judge of the Pike Circuit Court. In this capacity, Judge Palmer may hear and decide cases in both his current court and the Pike Circuit Court.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a certified copy of this Order to the Clerk of the Pike Circuit Court, who is directed to enter this Order into the Record of Judgments and Orders; to the Hon. Jeffrey L. Biesterveld, Pike Circuit Court, P.O. Box 407, Petersburg, IN 47567-0407; to the Hon. Walter H. Palmer,

Gibson Circuit Court, 101 North Main Street, Princeton, IN 47670-1562; to the Division of State Court Administration; and to the Indiana Judicial Center.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 27⁺⁷ day of September, 2006.

Randall T. Shepard

Chief Justice of Indiana